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City joins national green building group

RIVERSIDE, Calif. – The city of Riverside is now a member of the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC).

The national organization is a non-profit dedicated to make green building practices commonplace.

“Becoming a member of USGBC is directly in line with the city’s efforts,” said Scott Barber, the city community development department director. “Riverside had the nation’s first incentive-based Green Building Program. We also have a building official who is both LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Accredited Professional and Build-It-Green certified.”

Membership in the organization entitles the city to USGBC’s programs, such as workshops and courses, LEED reference guides and accreditation, e-newsletters and information on green building.

“The USGBC is on the cutting edge of green building technology,” said Mayor Ronald O. Loveridge. “Green building is Riverside’s future and this organization can help guide us there.”

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Established in 1895, Riverside Public Utilities is a consumer-owned water and electric utility governed by a board of nine community volunteers that provides high quality, reliable services to over 107,000 metered electric customers and 63,400 metered water customers throughout the City of Riverside. The Utility is committed to increased use of renewable energy resources and sustainable living practices that help reduce environmental impacts within the City of Riverside and the state of California.

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